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#### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2008.

The Action includes restriction and election of species requirements. Restriction is required between:

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- (I) Claims 1-25 and 32-33, directed to a catheter for the treatment of arrhythmia; and
- (II) Claims 26-31, directed to a guide wire for a catheter for the treatment of arrhythmia.

Applicants elect the subject matter of group (I), claims 1-25 and 32-33 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse with the understanding that the applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 121 to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter are retained.

An election of one species of the following species 1 to 14 is also required:

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Species 1: illustrated in Figure 1-4;

Species 2: illustrated in Figure 5;

Species 3: illustrated Figure 6;

Species 4: illustrated in Figures 7 and 13;

Species 5: illustrated in Figure 8;

Species 6: illustrated in Figure 9;

Species 7: illustrated in Figure 10;

Species 8: illustrated in Figure 11;

Species 9: illustrated in Figure 12;
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Species 10: illustrated in Figure 14;

Species 11: illustrated in Figure 15;

Species 12: illustrated in Figures 16 and 17;

Species 13: illustrated in Figures 18 and 19; and

Species 14: illustrated in Figures 20 and 21.

Applicants elect Species 7 illustrated in Fig. 10. This election is also made without traverse. Claims 2-5, 9, 13, 14, 16, 19 and 20 are believed to read on the elected species.

The foregoing is believed to be a complete and proper response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2008.

In the event that this paper is not considered to be timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension and any additional fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 111833.

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